



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Silver Bluff High

Aiken

Grades: 9-12

Enrollment: 808

Principal: Todd Bornscheuer

Superintendent: Dr. Elizabeth Everitt

Board Chair: Dr. Christine Sanders

PERFORMANCE

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| YEAR | ABSOLUTE RATING | GROWTH RATING | PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD | AYP STATUS | NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS |
|------|-----------------|---------------|----------------------------|------------|-------------------------|
| 2008 | Average | Below Average | TBD | Not Met | N/A |
| 2007 | Good | Below Average | N/A | Not Met | N/A |
| 2006 | Good | At-Risk | Gold | Not Met | N/A |

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF HIGH SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

| EXCELLENT | GOOD | AVERAGE | BELOW AVERAGE | AT-RISK |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------|---------|
| 5 | 6 | 21 | 2 | 0 |

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are High Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM(HSAP) EXAM PASSAGE RATE(%): SECOND YEAR STUDENTS

| | Our High School | | High Schools with Students Like Ours | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------------------------------------|-------|
| | 2007 | 2008 | 2007 | 2008 |
| Passed 2 subtests (%) | 82.3% | 84.6% | 76.8% | 79.3% |
| Passed 1 subtest (%) | 10.1% | 9.0% | 13.1% | 11.2% |
| Passed no subtests (%) | 7.6% | 6.4% | 10.4% | 9.5% |

HSAP PASSAGE RATE (%) BY SPRING 2008

| | Our High School | High Schools with Students Like Ours |
|--|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| | 91.9% | 93.8% |

ON-TIME GRADUATION RATE

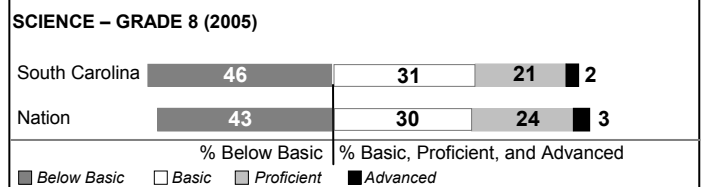
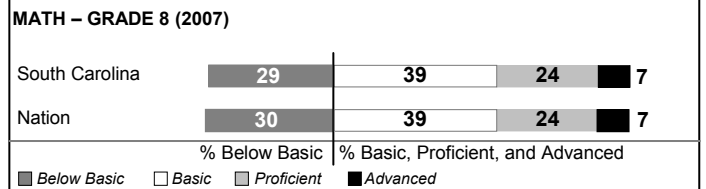
| | Our High School | High Schools with Students Like Ours |
|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Number of students | 197 | 218 |
| Number of Diplomas | 134 | 160 |
| Rate (%) | 68.0% | 73.3% |

END OF COURSE TESTS - 2008

| % of students scoring 70 or above on: | Our High School | High Schools with Students Like Ours |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Algebra 1/Math for the Technologies 2 | 71.6% | 71.9% |
| English 1 | 55.6% | 57.7% |
| Physical Science | 60.0% | 49.6% |
| All Tests | 63.5% | 59.8% |

NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

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SCHOOL PROFILE

| | Our School | Change from Last Year | High Schools with Students Like Ours | Median High School |
|--|------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Students (n=808) | | | | |
| Retention rate | 6.6% | Up from 6.1% | 6.3% | 6.1% |
| Attendance rate | 94.8% | Down from 95.2% | 95.0% | 95.0% |
| Eligible for gifted and talented | 3.1% | Down from 17.3% | 10.5% | 8.3% |
| With disabilities other than speech | 9.8% | Up from 8.7% | 13.3% | 13.0% |
| Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses | 1.5% | Down from 2.9% | 1.5% | 1.5% |
| Enrolled in AP/IB programs | 7.3% | Up from 6.9% | 8.6% | 11.4% |
| Successful on AP/IB exams | 44.0% | N/A | 51.0% | 54.3% |
| Eligible for LIFE Scholarship | 31.5% | Up from 30.9% | 31.2% | 30.5% |
| Annual dropout rate | 5.0% | Down from 5.3% | 3.7% | 3.5% |
| Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations | 3.9% | Down from 4.5% | 5.0% | 3.1% |
| Enrollment in career/technology courses | 502 | Up from 482 | 509 | 559 |
| Career/technology students attaining technical skills | 74.2% | Down from 74.6% | 77.8% | 79.6% |
| Teachers (n=48) | | | | |
| Teachers with advanced degrees | 47.9% | Down from 51.1% | 51.6% | 57.4% |
| Continuing contract teachers | 75.0% | Up from 70.2% | 74.4% | 69.6% |
| Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates | 10.0% | Down from 12.2% | 7.9% | 8.7% |
| Teachers returning from previous year | 87.0% | Up from 86.9% | 86.3% | 85.0% |
| Teacher attendance rate | 95.6% | Down from 95.7% | 95.4% | 95.4% |
| Average teacher salary | \$48,363 | Up 5.8% | \$45,960 | \$46,061 |
| Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers | 0.0% | Down from 7.8% | 3.6% | 4.3% |
| School | | | | |
| Principal's years at school | 2.0 | Up from 1.0 | 3.5 | 3.0 |
| Student-teacher ratio in core subjects | 26.0 to 1 | Down from 29.5 to 1 | 25.9 to 1 | 25.4 to 1 |
| Prime instructional time | 88.9% | Down from 89.8% | 88.2% | 89.1% |
| Dollars spent per pupil* | \$6,656 | Up 4.9% | \$7,277 | \$7,279 |
| Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries* | 53.7% | Down from 55.6% | 54.1% | 55.3% |
| Percent of expenditures for instruction* | 58.9% | Down from 59.5% | 59.4% | 60.8% |
| Opportunities in the arts | Poor | Down from Good | Excellent | Excellent |
| SACS accreditation | Yes | No Change | Yes | Yes |
| Character development program | Good | Up from Average | Good | Good |
| Modern Language Program Assessment | N/A | N/A | Good | Good |
| Classical Language Program Assessment | N/A | N/A | Average | Average |
| % of AYP objectives met | 94.1% | | 92.3% | 90.5% |

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

| | Teachers | Students* | Parents* |
|--|----------|-----------|----------|
| Number of surveys returned | 52 | 154 | 73 |
| Percent satisfied with learning environment | 88.5% | 73.4% | 87.7% |
| Percent satisfied with social and physical environment | 88.5% | 79.2% | 79.2% |
| Percent satisfied with school-home relations | 74.0% | 83.6% | 77.8% |

*Only students at the highest high school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Silver Bluff High School provides educational opportunities for the students of Aiken County who reside in the Beech Island, Jackson, and New Ellenton areas. An established twenty-seven year tradition of excellence is the driving force behind the school's accomplishments. Accredited by the State Department of Education and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, Silver Bluff High School provides all students with opportunities to become responsible lifelong learners.

The faculty, staff, and administration of Silver Bluff remain committed to maintaining high academic expectations for all students. In 2007-2008, we continued work on our highly successful "Freshman Academy." Another area of emphasis included an across-the-curriculum focus on reading and writing. We further continued to emphasize communication with parents through newsletters and an automated phone calling system. For the 2008-2009 school year, these will continue to be areas of concentration, along with strengthening the Honors and Advanced Placement programs with the addition of two new Advanced Placement offerings.

The 2007-2008 school year brought recognition for programs through awards and accolades. Silver Bluff was the only high school to make the Riley School Improvement Award Honor Roll for the work by the school improvement council to improve transition programming from middle school to high school. Silver Bluff was one of eight high schools in the state to be named a Red Carpet Award Winner for our efforts to reach out to the community.

Research indicates that schools with strong extra-curricular involvement foster positive academic environments as well. The rich tradition of success in these areas continued in 2007-2008. The band won the lower-state and state championships. The football team won nine games and the region title. The girls' basketball team had their first ever twenty-win season and won the region. The golf team and girls softball teams won region championships. The NJROTC program was ranked in the top 20 nationally. The Key Club was recognized internationally for the third year in a row for service to the community and fellow man. Students also represented Silver Bluff nationally in academics, with six students representing us in the national level of History Day competition.

We are poised for continued success in 2008-2009 and look forward to working with you to maximize your child's high school experience.

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Anna Johnson, SIC Chairperson

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